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PATENTS

U.S. Patent No. 5,605,349

U.S. Patent No. 5,005,486

U.S. Patent No. 4,726,853

U.S. Patent No. 4,765,953

U.S. Patent No. 5,086,550

U.S. Patent No. 5,858,135

U.S. Patent No. 5,531,475

Japanese Patent No. 362253732A  
(English translation)

RELEVANCE

Discloses an integrated canister for an airbag inflator.

Discloses an igniter for airbag propellant grains.

Discloses a ferritic stainless steel strip or sheet, in particular for exhaust systems.

Discloses a high nitrogen containing duplex stainless steel having high corrosion resistance and good structure stability.

Discloses a method of assembling an inflator for a vehicle occupant restraint.

Discloses a method for cold rolling and annealing strip cast stainless steel strip.

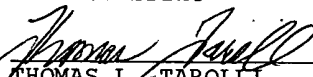
Discloses an air bag inflator and method of assembly.

OTHER

"Worldwide Guide to Equivalent Irons and Steel", Paul M. Unterweiser, 1993.

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		"Worldwide Guide to Equivalent Irons and Steel", Paul M. Unterweiser, 1993

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